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THE BRISTOL COURIER

BRISTOL, PA., WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 28, 1945

Cloudy and continued cold to-
day and tonight. Thursday, fair
with rising temperature.

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GERMAN RETREAT INDICATED AS A ROUT AS AMERICAN ARMY COLUMNS STORM ACROSS COLOGNE PLAIN BEYOND THE ROER; DRIVE IS MADE ON "A VAST, DEAD CITY"

Stores or Hotels Open;
Scene of "Indescribable Desolation"

ZI RADIO WARNING

mans Admit Allied
members Over Duesseldorf, Muenster Areas

International News Service
American Army and Infantry
columns stormed across the Co-
logne plain beyond the Roer River
and growing indications
the German retreat had be-
come a rout.

American First Army forces
met within nine miles of Co-
logne as it swept up to within sight
the Ert River and the Army
Stars and Stripes quoted
all officers as saying the "German
Army is licked west of the Rhine."

However the advance on Cologne
drive on a vast, dead city, ac-
cording to a captured German
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STATE 4 New Members For War Mothers Group

our new members were initiated
at the meeting of Bristol Chapter,
American War Mothers, in Bracken-
ham home last evening. They are:
James Daniels, Mrs. Harry
Colm, Mrs. Leon Cherubini, Mrs.
Shapcott.

number of knitted squares were
ed in for an afghan, Mrs. Paul
be placing them together.

card party is arranged for Mon-
evening next in the post home,
Monday Mrs. Charles Lock-
erman, and her committee-woman
Mrs. Joseph Ellis, Mrs. Frank
Finger, and Mrs. Robert Moss,
visit the Naval Hospital, Phila-
delphia.

ithday greetings were extended
rs. White, Mrs. Moss and Mrs.
Wichers, Sr.

ister greeting cards are being
ed to daughters and sons of
bers in the service. The meet-
closed with prayer for those in
ice by Mrs. White, chaplain.
ake and coffee were served by
Daniels, Mrs. Jacob Doster,
Wolffinger, Mrs. William George
Mrs. Locke.

of Pigeons in Global War Told to Rotarians

NDALUSIA, Feb. 28—Charles J.
le, representing a Philadelphia
spaper, kept Bensalem Rotar-
club interested last evening when
spoke on the importance of
sons in the present war.

Mr. Love informed that the earli-
record of the use of pigeons was
at 43 B. C. He told of the im-
portant work in which they partici-
pated down through the centuries,
mentioned that many thousands
birds are being used on all fronts
the present global war. The
aker's description of the bone
struction and general physical
ke-up of the pigeon was eagerly
ended to.

The presiding officer was Jacob
neffe. Guests at the session
re Arthur Watts, Philadelphia;
Robert M. Scott, Eddington.

Next Tuesday will be observed as
sical night, with Elmer Vansant

and Otto Grupp in charge.

Cadet John C. Bowen Is On Scholastic Honor List

WAYNE, Feb. 28—Cadet John C.
wen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles
Bowen, Garfield street, Bristol,
is honored this week by inclusion
the first semester scholastic
list of the Valley Forge
Academy here.

Cadet Bowen was awarded a
Star, to be worn on the cuff
his uniform, indicating an aver-
age of between 85 and 90 per cent
all subjects including military
ence and tactics. Inclusion on
the merit list carries highly val-
ue privileges of extra leaves from
regular duty.

CHIMNEY FIRE

Bristol Consolidated Fire Com-
pany was summoned yesterday to
chimney fire at the home of Ar-
thur Swangler, Old Bath street. No
image was caused, it is reported.

LOCAL WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

FOR 24 HOUR PERIOD ENDING 8 A. M.
STROHM & HAAS WEATHER OBSERVATORY
BRISTOL, PA.

Temperature Readings
Maximum 42° F
Minimum 26° F
Range 16° F

P. C. Relative Humidity 82%
Precipitation (inches) trace

TIDES AT BRISTOL

High water 4:56 a. m.; 5:17 p. m.
Low water 12:08 p. m.

UP-TO-PRESS-TIME WAR BULLETINS

(By International News Service)

ERT RIVER CROSSED BY ALLIES

Paris—The Germans' last natural defense barrier before the Rhine, the Ert River, was crossed today by advance forces of the United States First Army which punched eastward to within eight miles of the big Rhine city of Cologne.

A spokesman at headquarters of Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery said that there was mounting evidence that the Germans had begun a large-scale withdrawal west of the Rhine as four powerful Allied armies shattered Nazi resistance along a 135-mile front.

A staff officer of the American First Army declared that "the German Army is licked west of the Rhine."

Headquarters imposed a security blackout on the advances of the rampaging American Ninth Army, last reported 15 miles from the German Ruhr industrial center of Duesseldorf.

The Ninth Army, which plunged northward toward a junction with the Canadian First Army sweeping southeast, was only 30 miles separated from the British and Dominion troops.

Ninth Army forces swept up to the Ert River, last natural defense barrier before the Rhine, at Koenigsbachen, and U.S. First Army forces, only nine miles from the prize city of Cologne, were within sight of the Ert. Resistance on the Canadian First Army front seems to be crumbling in view of the irresistible weight of the Allied attack, although the Allies have not broken through there to the extent that the Americans have on the Ninth Army front.

Lieut. Gen. S. Patton's Third Army hammered forward in the Bitburg area against disorganized German forces and threatened the Trier bastion of the enemy from both the southeast and the northwest.

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Picked Up During Busy
Hour Friday Afternoon

POLICE MAKE SEARCH

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New York Arrival



HI-YA waves film star Lana Turner as she steps from a train in New York City following a trip from the coast. She's on her way to Washington to make a personal appearance at the opening of her latest motion picture. (International)

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**Additional Solicitors
Named for Bensalem Twp.**

Additional solicitors for the forthcoming Red Cross drive in Bensalem Township are here announced:

Cornwells Heights: Mrs. Ira C. Bowman; assistants, Mrs. George H. Thomas, Mrs. Roscoe Perkins, Mrs. Charles Laycock, Mrs. George Kayser, Mrs. Melvin Yeagle, Mrs. Harry Gough, Mrs. Harold Ealy, Mrs. Irwin Shell, Mrs. Edward Dyer, Mrs. Irving Margulis, Miss Gladys Connelly, Mrs. Lawrence Davis, Mrs. Charles Wicker, Mrs. David Crapp, Mrs. Sidney Bound, Miss Helen Terene, Mrs. Jeanette Eoder.

Eddington: Raymond E. Wink, captain; Mrs. Samuel Morrison, Mrs. Emily Vandegrift, Mrs. Raymond E. Wink, Mrs. Elmer Myers, Mrs. Emily Fields, Miss Eleanor Davis, Mrs. Gladys Davis, Mrs. Katherine Barrall, Mrs. Harry Seltzer, Mrs. Elizabeth Usdin, Mrs. Myrtle Garrigues, Mrs. George A. Winch, Mrs. Robert Dapp.

BETROTHED

CORNWELLS HEIGHTS, Feb. 28—Mr. and Mrs. William White announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Charlotte May White, to Richard H. Gade, of Bristol, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gade, North Long Beach, Cal. Mr. Gade is a graduate of the University of Illinois. He is a member of Triangle Fraternity.

SURPRISE SHOWER

CORNWELLS HEIGHTS, Feb. 28—A surprise shower was tendered Mrs. Harold Farrington, last week, by Miss Helen Perene and Mrs. William C. Amick, at the home of Miss Perene, Station Avenue. A buffet luncheon was served to: Mrs. Leo Klinker, Mrs. Harry Acker, Mrs. George Tats, Mrs. Sydney Banks, Mrs. Leo Deni, Mrs. Edward Perene, Mrs. Edwin Klinker and Mrs. William C. Amick. Mrs. Farrington received many gifts.

RED CROSS NEED IS GREATER THAN EVER

Campaign Opens Today In The Nation At Large,

It Is Stated

SCOUTS WILL AID IN PAPER COLLECTION

**Request is Received From
J. A. Krug, W. P. B.
Chairman**

ARRIVES IN FRANCE

CROYDON, Feb. 28—Mrs. Ruth Haines, Prospect Avenue, has received word that her husband, Pvt. Harry L. Haines, has arrived in France. Pvt. Haines is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haines, Maple Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haines have two other sons in the service, PFC Charles L. Haines, in the Philippines, and Herman Haines, S. 2/c, at Corpus Christi, Texas.

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STORK PAYS VISIT

CORNWELLS HEIGHTS, Feb. 28—Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brophy on the birth of a son on February 25th at the Wagner Hospital, Bristol. The infant weighed 7 lbs., 11½ ounces.

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BRISTOL OPENS MAR. 8 WILL AID GROUPS

Tomorrow the American Red Cross will open its appeal to the nation for \$180,000,000 to continue its world-wide operation with battle front troops, in hospitals and on the home front.

The appeal in the Bristol area, including Bristol Borough, Tullytown Borough and Bristol Township, will not open until March 8th and will continue March 9th and 10th in the residential sections.

The quota set for the Bristol area is \$56,600. Hugh B. Eastburn, Esq., is the general chairman and is now completing his organization which will be announced within the next few days.

Simultaneously President Roosevelt, Basil O'Connor, chairman of the Red Cross, and Colby Chester, chairman of the War Fund campaign, called upon all Americans to support the fund drive as an indication of their backing of men in the front lines.

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SOCIETY TO MEET

The regular meeting of the Women's Society for Christian Service of the Bristol Methodist Church will meet tonight at eight o'clock in the church. All members are requested to bring a Valentine as a social will follow the business.

UNDER OBSERVATION

Eugene Orte, of Parkland, was removed to Abington Hospital yesterday in the ambulance of Bucks Co. Rescue Squad.

DICTATORSHIP AT WORK

A great deal of contemporary literature reveals a growing concern over the question of whether free government can continue in the United States.

Nearly everyone realizes quite well that, when the time comes the executive department of any government is no longer restrained by the body of fundamental checks and balances known as the Constitution, and when a large portion of the public no longer has means for curbing or changing governmental policies, dictatorship has arrived.

This is true even though some more pleasing word than dictatorship is used to describe the new state of affairs—or even if the despotism choose to call itself a democracy or a republic.

As was well known to the founding fathers of the United States, and is expressed in the writings of such men as Washington, Hamilton, and Jefferson, free government—meaning government in which the people themselves are the real sovereign—is constantly in danger of the usurpation of power by its officials.

Dictator-bound pressure groups in every land have always had the same motto: "the end justifies the means."

Whatever the subject matter, the process always follows the same pattern.

Politically important groups within a nation are promised special favors in return for votes or other political support. Presently it is made to appear that the normal authorities of government are inadequate for achieving the purpose.

It is then demanded that new methods be allowed—and these new methods invariably are at the expense of the safeguards set up to keep the government responsive to the will of the people.

This was the process which ran its course in Germany and Italy, and it has been in operation in the United States for a number of years.

The American citizens who wanted racketeering stopped were so pleased that the Federal government found means under the income tax laws of sending the racketeers to jail, that they did not inquire too closely into the question of whether the use of such laws for this purpose was ethically proper, or whether their use for a popular purpose did not set a precedent for use in other fields more dangerous to the Bill of Rights.

Bureaucracy received a tremendous impetus as a result of these prosecutions.

Early in the Roosevelt administration the NRA was presented as a piece of governmental super-structure which would give special benefits to all working people; these special benefits were urged as being sufficient excuse for the adoption of methods of admittedly doubtful constitutionality.

Similarly the Social Security program was used as bait to lure public sentiment into allowing the breaking down of the sovereignty of the states—a very important check against over-centralization of Federal power.

In the Avery case, it appears to have been the tacit assumption in Washington that class feeling in America is bitter enough to condone coercive methods against corporation officials on the same old grounds—that the end justified the means.

Rationing, which started out along the lines of the last war,—largely voluntary, carried out by the citizens themselves—soon was swung over into the present pres-

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LATEST NEWS BULLETINS

Hopes for Peace and Reduction of Armaments

Washington—President Roosevelt returned to the White House from the Crimean Conference today carrying hopes for a permanent peace with eventual reduction of armaments and disclosed that he will attend the organization of the United Nations at San Francisco April 25.

The Chief Executive tempered his prediction of a lasting peace with a grim reminder that the war first must be won, and that a long and perhaps costly struggle with Japan lies ahead even after Germany is forced to capitulate.

As one of the main accomplishments of the big three conference at Yalta, Mr. Roosevelt foresees a gradual but progressive reduction of armaments. Even the major powers, into whose hands will fall the task of carrying out peace by force, if necessary, will gradually disarm, he said. The President's full views on what was accomplished at the German Conference will be given to the nation later this week when Mr. Roosevelt addresses a joint session of Congress.

As to a further big three meeting, the President said it will depend on good deal on how the San Francisco Conference comes out and ruled out for the time being, a further conference on purely Pacific problems such as the Cairo meeting of a year ago.

The President conditioned all discussion of future peace, however, on retorted statements that we have to win the war first.

Mr. Roosevelt said one of the important things decided for the world's future peace was that neither Germany nor Japan will ever be permitted to rearm. But he left the door open for their ultimate return to the family circle of nations.

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TANKS VS. JAPS

In more than three years of war against Japan, American Army leaders have had ample opportunity to study fighting qualities of the Japanese. They have discovered there is much to be said for and against ability of the enemy to wage successful combat.

These conclusions boil down to: The infantryman is the core of Japanese military power, but lacks necessary weapons to make him a winner.

The Japanese soldier is not a superman, nor is he a pushover. He has been well trained. His physical condition is good, he can withstand hardships and will follow orders without questioning. He will attack under any and all circumstances regardless of the odds. He is good at jungle warfare and knows how to make the best use of the weapons he has. His officers are adept at moving large forces over difficult terrain, and especially clever in carrying out raids.

It has been discovered the Japs lack weapons needed to back up their foot soldiers and enable them to hold an objective after it has been gained. They have no flame throwers, heavy artillery, bazookas, tanks. At least they have not used any of these. Always willing to sacrifice infantrymen, Japanese generals gain nothing permanently because these armies are not completely implemented for modern warfare.

And the Jap is no match for American soldiers, either as to skill or bravery. Definitely outmatched, he fights fanatically only to be defeated.

TRIBUTE TO LAKE SEAMEN

Announcement of the War Shipping Administration concerning the return to service on the Great Lakes of the several thousand lake seamen who volunteered for duty aboard the offshore fleet of the United States Merchant Marine last fall called attention to the patriotism shown by these men at a time when their services were urgently needed for the prosecution of the war.

It will be recalled that a grave crisis existed in shipping last fall and that it was feared that many ships, laden with war cargo, would not be able to sail for lack of trained personnel. The thousands of lake seamen who volunteered for duty with the Merchant Marine and were assigned during November and December to the offshore fleet no doubt were responsible for saving many lives in the war theatres.

It was in mid-December that the Germans made their supreme bid for a break-through on the Western Front and at that time every bit of equipment that could be rushed to the troops was vital.

Lake seamen who man the ships on the Great Lakes during the long navigation season on those waters understandably look forward to a period of rest during the winter months. It is to their credit that they forewent their customary vacations and gave their services to manning vessels of the Merchant Marine.

Red Cross Need Is Greater Than Ever

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In officially opening the campaign Chairman O'Connor pointed out that the need for Red Cross services in the coming year will be greater than ever before.

"American men have been fighting throughout the world for a long time," he said. "This year we will need all of the moral support we can give them. The American Red Cross is bringing home to those men wherever they may be stationed."

The task in the next twelve months will be greater for the Red Cross than ever before, for not only must we serve the men in the war zones, but we will be required to give increasing assistance to the boys coming back to the United States.

"We know the American people will respond with overwhelming generosity, knowing that the money they give to the Red Cross will be used to serve the men and women who are serving in uniform for us."

It was estimated that more than 3,000,000 American Red Cross volunteers will conduct the house to house canvass. Each canvasser will carry credentials indicating Red Cross affiliation during the campaign.

Outlining achievements of the Red Cross during the past year Mr. O'Connor declared the Red Cross is serving in every theatre of war and with every command. Red Cross workers also are on duty at scores of outposts over the world are giving aid to wounded men in hospitals in the major battle areas and in the United States, he said. The total number of workers has more than doubled since the last War Fund campaign.

In every invasion during the past year, he pointed out, the Red Cross has either gone with the troops, or has followed within a very short time. Red Cross field directors were with General Eisenhower's men in the great amphibious invasion of France, and with General MacArthur's forces when they returned to the Philippines.

Red Cross service on the home front has expanded with the ever

increasing demand upon it, Mr. O'Connor said.

Over ten million pints of blood have been obtained since the war started, and during the past year the Red Cross has met the requests of both the Army and Navy for whole blood shipments to battle areas in Europe and in the Far East.

Millions of surgical dressings have been prepared for front line and hospital use.

Trained nurse aides have been used in increasing numbers in domestic, military and naval hospitals to relieve in the shortage of professional nurses.

Red Cross workers at packaging centers have maintained a steady stream of Prisoner of War Food Parcels for shipment to Germany and the Far East.

Neither has the Red Cross relaxed in its traditional service to humanity in time of disaster. Mr. O'Connor said. More than 200 domestic disasters have found Red Cross workers on the job to relieve stricken families and to aid in the rebuilding of communities. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been poured out to rebuild homes destroyed by floods, high winds and fires.

Meanwhile Red Cross production workers in hundreds of communities have continued the never ceasing program of making warm garments for destitute civilians in war torn countries overseas, and in those countries the Red Cross has assisted the Army in caring for refugees and homeless people.

Scouts Will Aid In**Paper Collection****Continued From Page One**

campaign will be in co-operation, throughout Bucks county, with local salvage committee and other local salvage groups.

Each Scout is expected to collect 1,000 pounds, and each Troop 1,000 pounds for each registered member for the total of its membership. Awards will be made to the troops in the form of a shell case contained from the battlefields of France with a message personally inscribed by General Eisenhower. Individual awards will be given to each Scout

who meets his quota. The troop committees and scout leaders throughout the county are making plans to do their part in this campaign in order to help reach the national goal.

The Boy Scouts of America in November were successful in collecting 167,000 tons of paper, which helped the national waste paper goal. The parents and friends of Scouting throughout Bucks County are asked to co-operate with their units. The work of the scouts and cubs will be in addition to all other similar work which is being done throughout the county during the same period.

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HULMEVILLE

Sgt. P. Alcantara, of Valley Forge Hospital, week-ended here as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph La Penta. Saturday evening visitors of the LaPentas were: Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Fusco, Mrs. John Fusco and Miss Rita Farina, Philadelphia.

From Friday until Sunday, Mrs. Harry Boylan and Miss Dolores Whitehead, Haddonfield, N. J., were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Horace Cox.

On Tuesday evening next Mrs. Harry Force will entertain members of the card club with which she is affiliated.

EDDINGTON

After going overseas together, PFC Harry Paulsworth, of Eddington, and PFC Kenneth Drumm,

WOLF IN MAN'S CLOTHING by MIGNON G. EBERHART

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CHAPTER THIRTY-ONE

Well, I was still shaky, my knees were unsteady. And I was so tired, Craig said then in a less terse way, "You'd better lie down a minute, Miss Keate. What about some brandy?"

The brandy made me think of Maud and her violet sachet and what had happened afterward and I refused it with a shudder. But I told him about Claud Chivery—my whole story, and watched the grim look tighten around his mouth.

"Now then," I added wearily, "you'd better get back to bed. I thought Mrs. Brent was going to stay with you; I wouldn't have left you alone so long."

He was looking at the rug with narrowed, intent eyes that didn't see it. "I thought you ought to have some rest. That's why I didn't send for you. Alexia went away only a moment or two after you left, Miss Keate . . ." he looked at me then. "If I could only get out of here . . ."

He started to rise, turned a blue-white, and I sprang forward just as he sat down again on the edge of the chair, clinging to its arms rather desperately.

"Well, you can't," I observed. "I've got to. I know I could do something."

"What?"

"I don't know. But there must be something the police have missed. There must be—well, somebody. Somebody we don't know about . . ."

It was a sinister suggestion. It conjured up a lurking, homicidal figure hidden in some forgotten room or outbuilding, waiting to pounce.

He stared at the fire and said finally, "You can't hook it up with anybody you know."

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Craig was as colorless as the pillow; his eyes were closed, his mouth a straight white line. And he didn't say a word.

I said, my hand on Drue's arm, "Go back to your room; I'll come to you. Hurry."

"I'm fine now," went on Alexia. "And Craig is free and . . ." It was then that Alexia's eyes fastened on Drue's cape; a quick look of speculation changed to one of frank and glittering triumph.

She cried, "So you weren't in your room under guard when Claud was murdered! You were out of the house! You have no alibi!"

Craig opened his eyes. "Drue," he said, in a voice that was as cold and chill as if she were a stranger to him, "I'm sorry. Alexia is quite right about everything. You'd better go back to your room now."

Drue stood perfectly still for a moment. Craig met her eyes across barriers that now, I thought, could never be dissolved. Then Drue said clearly, "I'm going, Craig. And I'm never coming back."

I agreed with him not altogether too heartily. At last I asked, "If you're able to get around where would you look for clues?"

"I don't know," he said slowly. "Pete is doing what he can. But I—if only I could be sure that Drue is safe!"

"She's all right," I assured him. "That's one advantage of being practically under arrest. She is protected by being guarded."

His eyes clouded again. "Yes," he said. "And that's another danger. If the arrest her I can't move. I couldn't get as far as the door without collapsing." He gave a kind of groan and urged, "Tell me everything you saw or heard. Everything. You can trust me."

Which made me wonder if I could. Indeed, after seeing Claud Chivery as I had seen him I would have had a mental reservation about trusting my own image in the mirror.

Still Craig was the one person (besides Drue) who couldn't have killed Chivery.

Well, I answered his appeal as fully as I could by simply repeating, in detail, the events that had taken place since I had left him with Alexia in the late afternoon.

I listened intently but asked only a few questions. And eventually I got him back to bed. But he spoke of Drue. "They can't prove anything against her now; had her under guard at the time Claud was murdered."

And just then Drue herself hurried in, closing the door quickly behind her. She was breathing

rapidly; there was scarlet in her cheeks and lips and her eyes were bright. She wore her long cape with the hood over her head.

Drue slipped the hood back; her hair was disheveled and she'd been running. She came quickly toward us as Craig cried, "Drue! For God's sake, where have you been?"

"Is it true?" she asked breathlessly. "About Dr. Chivery? I heard them in the servants' living room. I came up the back stairs. What happened?"

I couldn't answer; disappointment was like a vise on my throat, for I had so counted on her alibi. Craig said heavily, "Oh, it's true enough. He's been murdered; in the little brook. Drue . . ." She was very near us and Craig caught her hand, pulling her so he could look closely in her face. "Drue, where were you?"

"I was out, Craig. I had to get out of here . . ."

"How did you do it? You were under guard."

"It was easy—he thought it was Sarah. Oh, it doesn't matter—"

It does matter. Tell me exactly what you did. Hurry . . ." His tone was as savage in a queer way as the tight, hard grip of his hands, and as demanding.

True, he was relieved. I heard him tell the man who took his place that there were two nurses and not to stop the other one—he told him which door entered your room, Sarah. And from the way he spoke I was pretty sure that the new guard got the idea we were both in our rooms. I had to get out of this horrible house!"

She checked herself abruptly and her eyes met Craig's fully.

Then Drue looked away. She said stiffly, "So I simply wrapped myself in my cape and pulled the hood over my head, walked out Sarah's door and along the hall. He saw me, but he didn't stop me."

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She turned so swiftly toward the door that I had to run to follow her. No one was in the corridor. I didn't speak to her. At the staircase I hurried ahead to look down to the landing with some vague idea of stopping Drue so the trooper wouldn't see her, but he was gone, luckily, for Drue swept down the corridor and into her room. I followed her and said, "Drue—Drue—"

"Sarah, don't!"

The little dog was there and came quickly, his tail wagging furiously; I saw her take him into her arms as I turned away and press her white face down upon the wriggling, little brown "Sir Francis." I closed the door behind me.

I did wonder after a moment how his wound was making out. Still he had one good arm. And now the course of true love would meet.

I got up quietly, went to the window and looked out into the winter dusk.

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Surprise Langhorne Couple On Anniversary of Wedding

LANGHORNE, Feb. 28.—A surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Mather on Friday evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. D. Harvey Krouse, whose wedding anniversary was celebrated.

The guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hoffman, Mrs. Hoffman, Sr., Mrs. Elsie Walter, Mrs. Jean Jones, Mrs. Harry Kulp, Mrs. Edward Mohrbach, Mrs. Edward Heare, Mr. and Mrs. F. Millwood Mather, Mr. and Mrs. Clement Mather, "Danny" Krouse.

In a Personal Way ---

INTERESTING items of news mainly about people you know. A chronicle of the activities of the people of Bristol; their goings and comings. -----

To arrange for publication of weddings, telephone The Bristol Courier, Bristol 846, notifying at least a few days in advance the date of ceremony. Engagement announcements must be submitted in writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trude, Pond street, had as Sunday guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, Lansdowne, and grandson, John Murphy, A/S, who is in training at Ursinus College, Collegeville, and is spending an eight-day leave with his parents.

Miss Nan Kelly, Trenton, N. J., spent Saturday and Sunday with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gavegan, 624 Beaver street.

Cpl. Albert N. Hunt, Fort Monmouth, N. J., spent Wednesday until Friday with his aunt, Mrs. John A. Smith, 321 Washington street.

Ruth Armstrong, S. 2/c, Harrisburg, spent Wednesday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Armstrong, Sr., 310 Jefferson avenue.

Misses Cecelia Lippincott and Doris Byers, student nurses at Misericordia Hospital, Philadelphia, spent the week-end with Miss Lippincott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lippincott, Linden street.

Marvin Grimes, S. 2/c, returned to Sampson, N. Y., after spending seven days with his grandmother, Mrs. Samuel Grimes, 541 Swain street.

Seaman Arthur Massi, Duke University, Durham, N. C., has been spending the past five days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Massi, 607 Pond street, Anthony Massi, S. 2/c, Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end with his parents.

Mrs. Betty Courtney and daughters, Betty Jane and Eleanor, Philadelphia, were guests during the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Girard, 709 Pine street.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Johnson, Hayes street, spent the week-end in Holland, Pa., visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Lauble.

Today's Quiet Moment

By Richard C. Coffey, Jr.
Pastor, Newport Road
Community Chapel

It is not true to die
To leave this weary road,
And midst the Brotherhood on high
To be at home with God.

Oh gracious Lord another month has passed on and it brings to our minds the glorious message of Thy wonderful Gospel. It rejoices our hearts, dear Lord, to realize Thy wonderful provision for us. The provision that Thou didst make when Thou didst provide for us a way, so that we, when we die, do not suffer death but pass on to everlasting life. It is our earnest prayer, our Lord, that we might walk worthy of the gift that Thou hast given us and it is to that end that we petition Thee to guide our every step through Jesus' name. Amen.

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Coming Events

Card party in Travel Club home, 8 p. m., sponsored by Rohm & Haas sewing circle. Red Cross benefit.

Covered dish luncheon sponsored by Ladies Auxiliary in Union Fire Co. station, Cornwells Manor, 12:30 p. m.

Mar. 17—St. Patrick's card party and dance sponsored by Fire Co. in St. Charles' Hall, Cornwells Hts., 8:30 p. m.

Mrs. Agnes Taylor, Mulberry street, is a patient in the Haberman Hospital, where she was operated upon last week.

Mrs. John Ellis, Bristol Terrace, had as recent guests, Mrs. William

Lord and Mrs. William Taylor, Minersville.

Mrs. Harry Goslin, Sr., Mrs. Flora Bilger and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Bilger and daughter Carolyn, 213 Market street, spent Sunday in Belmar, N. J., visiting relatives.

Mrs. Marvin Hutchinson returned to her home in Trenton, N. J., after three months' visit with her husband, Marvin Hutchinson, S. 1/c, who is stationed near San Fran-

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Danny Kaye in "BIRTH OF A STAR"

"BLUE BEARD"

and a Technicolor Musical "STAR BRITE"

cisco, Cal. Seaman Hutchinson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Hutchinson, 327 Hayes street.

1st Lt. Wilbur VanLenten and wife, Second avenue, spent Wednesday until Sunday in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mulligan and daughter Eleanor, Monroe street, spent the weekend in Newtown, visiting Mrs. Mulligan's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes.

Mrs. Charles Spezzano, 603 Pond street, has been confined to her

home by illness for the past week, and Mrs. John Spicer, Jr., son of Mr. Bristol, has arrived safely in France and has received a promotion to private first class.

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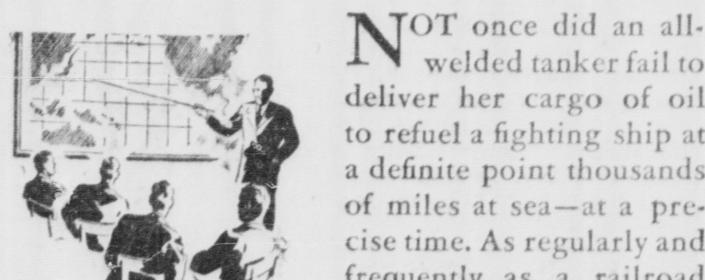
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EDGELY SPORTSMEN DECIDE TO BUY HEN PHEASANTS

Action Taken at Meeting of Sportsmen Held Last Night

TO SPEND SUM OF \$50

Will Sponsor the Annual Fishing Contest Again This Year

In an effort to offset the diminishing pheasant supply in lower Bucks County Edgely sportsmen last evening voted to spend fifty dollars for purchase of hen pheasants for restocking purposes in this area. This action was taken when the Edgely Rod & Gun Club met in monthly session at the Headley Manor Fire Co.

Members pointed out that very few hen birds were seen in the fields last hunting season and this is believed to be one of the reasons why not too many cock birds were bagged last November.

Secretary J. Howard Bintliff was instructed to purchase the birds at the earliest possible date so that they can be released at approximately the same time as the birds from the State Game Commission are received.

The annual fishing contest sponsored by the Edgely Club will be held again this year. This contest is open to all anglers. Three separate prizes of \$2.50 each will be awarded winners of the following divisions: bass, pickerel and catfish. All entries must be caught on hook and line in public waters of the Commonwealth. Contest headquarters will again be located at Britton's Service Station, Bristol Pike, Edgely.

Plans are already underway for an outstanding program for the March meeting which will be held on March 27th. Movies, refreshments and several other surprise features are planned for this meeting.

BRISTOL HIGH GIRLS LOSE TO BENSalem

Although it held a 9-5 lead at half-time, the Bristol High girls' team lost to Bensalem High on the latter's floor. Final score was: Bensalem, 13; Bristol, 11.

Lillian Brownlee was high scorer for Bristol with 6 points while E. Dunkerly had 8 to lead Bensalem. The other Bristol forwards were: D. Stackhouse, T. Cahill, S. Bielicki and Janice while the guards were B. Lebo, M. Bell, S. Peet and B. Virgulti.

C. Harrison and V. Oliver were the other Bensalem forwards with 4 and 1 point, respectively. The guards were K. Vandegrift, J. Luzzi and M. Gebauer.

The game was refereed by Miss MacDaniel.

BOWLING

MAJOR LEAGUE Standings

	WON	LOST
Bailey's	18	12
Rohm & Haas	12	12
Arcadia	12	12
Burlington	11	13
Chris	11	13
Diamond	10	14

	WON	LOST
Korkem & Haas	138	176
Coleman	160	155
Carlen	135	189
Stewart	218	182
Hirsch	208	171

	WON	LOST
Burlington	148	140-434
Shell	124	161-465
Sutton	179	175-514
Schroeder	188	178-529
Shumard	167	188-510

	WON	LOST
Bailey	173	154
Bachser	162	143-410
Patterson	162	178-600
Robinson	153	228
Lynn	193	196-221-610

	WON	LOST
Chris	833	910
Taxi	833	837
Bailey	846	833
Burlington	846	833

	WON	LOST
Keeler	126	203-509
Coleman	179	161-70-510
Carlen	199	173-524
Stewart	156	173-530
Hirsch	182	164-499
Keen	173	189-369

	WON	LOST
Arden	126	180-203
Borden	179	161-70-510
Cahill	199	173-524
James	156	173-530
Amisian	180	142-207-529

	WON	LOST
Dimond	842	929-2606
Keeler	178	171-553-502
Deitrich	148	186-293-517
Jones	170	197-567-524
Cahill	178	164-178-503
O'Boyle	166	248-291-612

	WON	LOST
EMILIE	823	963-892-2678
Yates	181	120-301
Jonik	174	121-160-455
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